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ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION 2005 AND 2006

Commodity	Unit	Planted		Harvested		Average Yield		Production	
		2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Maryland		1,000 Acres 1,000						00	
Corn ¹	ACR	470	490						
Corn Grain	BU			400	425	135	142	54,000	60,350
Corn Silage	TON			65	60	17	17	1,105	1,020
Soybeans	BU	480	470	470	465	34	34	15,980	15,810
Winter Wheat	BU	155	210	140	125	66	68	9,240	8,500
Barley	BU	46	50	41	32	86	87	3,526	2,784
All Hay	TON			190	205	2.79	2.78	531	569
Alfalfa Hay	TON			40	40	3.90	3.90	156	156
Other Hay	TON			150	165	2.50	2.50	375	413
Apples	LBS							41,000	38,000
Peaches	TON							4.2	3.8
Potatoes, Summer	CWT	3.5	4.0	3.4	2.9	260	320	884	928
Delaware									
Corn ¹	ACR	160	170						
Corn Grain	BU			154	161	143	145	22,022	23,345
Corn Silage	TON			5	8	19	20	95	160
Soybeans	BU	185	180	182	177	26	31	4,732	5,487
Winter Wheat	BU	52	48	51	45	70	67	3,570	3,015
Barley	BU	29	27	27	24	81	80	2,187	1,920
All Hay	TON			14	14	2.79	2.86	39	40
Alfalfa Hay	TON			5	5	3.60	3.90	18	20
Other Hay	TON			9	9	2.30	2.20	21	20
Potatoes, Summer	CWT	3.3	3.0	3.1	2.1	260	240	806	504
United States		1,000,0				,000			
Corn ¹	ACR	81,779	78,327						
Corn Grain	BU			75,117	70,648	148	149	11,114	10,535
Corn Silage	TON			5,930	6,477	18	16	106	105
Soybeans	BU	72,032	75,522	71,251	74,602	43	43	3,063	3,188
Wheat, Winter	BU	40,433	40,575	33,794	31,117	44	42	1,499	1,298
Barley	BU	3,875	3,452	3,269	2,951	65	61	212	180
All Hay	TON			61,729	60,807	2.45	2.33	151	142
Alfalfa Hay	TON			22,439	21,384	3.39	3.35	76	72
Other Hay	TON			39,290	39,423	1.91	1.78	75	70
Apples	LBS							9,865	9,843
Peaches	TON							1.18	1.05
Potatoes, Summer	CWT	53.4	58.4	51.4	54.3	342	340	17.6	18.4
Acres planted for all purposes.									

CHICKEN AND EGGS

U.S. egg production totaled 7.52 billion during November 2006, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.49 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 969 million were broiler-type and 64 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2006 averaged 346 million, down slightly from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,176 eggs, up slightly from November 2005.

All layers in the U.S. on December 1, 2006, totaled 347 million, down slightly from last year. The 347 million layers consisted of 290 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.1 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.82 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 2006, averaged 72.9 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from December 1, 2005.

Egg-type chicks hatched during November 2006 totaled 31.7 million, down 2 percent from November 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 34.2 million on December 1, 2006, down slightly from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 206,000 during November 2006, up 14 percent from November 2005.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during November 2006 totaled 729 million, down 2 percent from November 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 652 million on December 1, 2006, down 1 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.45 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during November 2006, up 2 percent from November 2005.

HOGS

U.S. Inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2006 was 62.1 million head. This was up 1 percent from December 1, 2005, but down 1 percent from September 1, 2006. Breeding inventory, at 6.09 million head, was up 1 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 56.1 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but down 1 percent from last quarter. The September-November 2006 pig crop, at 26.6 million head, was up 1 percent from 2005 and up 3 percent from 2004. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.13 for the September-November 2006 period, compared to 9.03 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

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